

HE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Toshiaki TAKEZAWA et al.

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Examiner Vera AFREMOVA

TISSUE SECTION-CONTAINING CARRIER FOR CULTURE OF ANIMAL CELLS, AND METHOD OF USING THE CARRIER FOR **CULTURE AND TRANSPLANTATION** OF ANIMAL CELLS

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RESPONSE UNDER 37. CFR 1.116

EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

EXAMINING GROUP ___ 1.05

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT **ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975**

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated February 11, 2005, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows: